

Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

AGENDA

Thursday ~ January 29, 2015 ~ 6:00 p.m.
Nevada Department of Wildlife
Conference Room B
1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

MEMBERS

Sean Shea, Chair
Miles Humphreys, Jr., Vice-chair
Michelle Spencer, Secretary
Cathy Smith
William Tamblyn

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http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/County_Advisory_Boards/Washoe/

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The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may consider items on the agenda out of order.

The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may combine two or more agenda items for consideration.

The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

Time Limits – Public comments are welcomed during the Public Comment periods for all matters, whether listed on the agenda or not, and are limited to three (3) minutes per person. Additionally, public comment specific to the action item of three (3) minutes per person will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on that item at the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers.

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Responses to Public Comments – The Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife can deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During the Public Comment period, speakers may address matters listed or not listed on the published agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comments by the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife. However, responses from Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. On the advice of legal counsel and to ensure the public has notice of all matters the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will consider. The Washoe County Advisory Committee to Manage Wildlife may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for Washoe County staff action or to ask that a matter be listed on a future Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting agenda. The Washoe County Advisory Committee to Manage Wildlife may do this either during the Public Comment item or during the following item: **“WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** [Non-action item].”

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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** [Non-action item]
2. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** [Non-action item]
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** [Non-action item] – Comments heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (Board) agenda. The Board will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Board as a whole. Please sign the sign-in sheet.
4. **APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 6, 2014, MINUTES** (For possible action)
5. **BOARD MEMBER MEETING ASSIGNMENT** (Non-action item) – *A discussion and selection of member(s) to attend the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meetings on: 1) February 6 and 7, 2015, meetings in Las Vegas, Nevada; and 2). March 20 and 21, 2015, meetings in Reno, Nevada.*
6. **COMMITTEE, MEMBER AND LIAISON UPDATES** (Non-action items) – *1). Correspondence (including sportsmen's concerns) and Announcements; and 2). Overview of the November 14 and 15, 2014, meetings of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners.*
7. **REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF THE BLACK BEAR SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT ENTITLED "A Three-Year Comprehensive Review of Black Bear Harvest through Regulated Hunting in Nevada" – Commissioner David McNinch** [For Possible Action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify a report submitted by the Black Bear Subcommittee entitled "A Three-Year Comprehensive Review of Black Bear Harvest through Regulated Hunting in Nevada." On approval, the Commission may forward this report on to the Nevada Legislature to fulfill the request included within 2013 Senate Bill 82.*
8. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–04, 2015 Big Game Application Deadline Information** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify language regarding the 2015 big game application deadline information.*
9. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–05, 2015 Big Game Tag Application Eligibility** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify language regarding the 2015 big game tag application eligibility.*
10. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–06, Silver State Tag and Partnership in Wildlife 2015 Season and Quotas** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommendations for the 2015 Silver State Tag and Partnership in Wildlife hunt species, seasons and quotas.*

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11. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–07, Dream Tag 2015 Seasons** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended 2015 Dream Tag seasons.*
12. **Commission REGULATION 15–08, 2016 Heritage Tag Seasons and Quotas** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended 2016 Heritage Tag hunt species, seasons and quotas.*
13. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–09, Big Game Seasons** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended 2015–2016 and 2016–2017 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat, including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics and legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and legal weapon requirements, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quotas.*
14. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–10, Big Game Mountain Lion Harvest Limits for 2015–2016** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended 2015–2016 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations.*
15. **COMMISSION REGULATION 15–11, 2015 Black Bear Seasons** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended 2015 hunting season dates, open management units, hunting hours, special regulations, animal sex, legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and dates and times for indoctrination courses for black bear.*
16. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 455, Temporary LCB (Legislative Counsel Bureau) File T-14 – Trapping Questionnaire Deadline and Trapping License Valid Dates** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended temporary regulation relating to trapping questionnaires and trapping license valid periods. The regulation will add language to specify the valid period of a trapping license as July 1 - June 30. The regulation amendment will also update the trapping questionnaire deadline language, changing the deadline from April 30 to May 31, making it consistent with other Department questionnaire language. The amendment includes having the Department be responsible for prohibiting the purchase of a subsequent trapping license, instead of the Commission, when a trapper fails to return a questionnaire. This amendment will allow the Department to administer the trapping questionnaire processes effectively in regard to the trapping seasons as established by the Commission.*

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17. **COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 454, Temporary LCB (Legislative Counsel Bureau) File T-14 – Firearm Carry During Archery Hunt** [For possible action] – *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify recommended temporary regulation relating to the carry of a firearm in the field while hunting under archery regulations. The regulation will change NAC 503.144 to allow the carry of personal protection handguns while archery hunting. This regulation will be temporary and will require Legislative Commission approval to become permanent after the 2015 Session of the Nevada Legislature.*
18. **SPORTSMAN'S EDUCATION BILL (Bill Draft Request 616)** [For possible action] *A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners support the proposed Sportsman's Education Bill BDR 616. Sportsman's Education Bill (Bill Draft 616). Chair Shea*
19. **WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** [Non-action item] – *Selection of additional agenda item(s) for the March 12, 2015, meeting.*
20. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** [Non-action item] – *Comments heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (Board) agenda. The Board will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Board as a whole. Please sign the sign-in sheet.*
21. **ADJOURNMENT** [Non-action item]

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